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### MEETING MINUTES<sup>1</sup>

Meeting Date: May 28, 2003  
Meeting Time: 10:30 A.M.  
Meeting Place: State House, 200 W. Washington  
St., 404  
Meeting City: Indianapolis, Indiana  
Meeting Number: 1

**Members Present:** Sen. Robert Garton, Chairman; Rep. B. Patrick Bauer, Vice-Chairman; Sen. Becky Skillman; Sen. Joseph Harrison; Sen. Patricia Miller; Sen. Thomas Wyss; Sen. Richard Young; Sen. James Lewis; Sen. Earline Rogers; Rep. Russell Stilwell; Rep. Charlie Brown; Rep. Scott Pelath; Rep. Brian Bosma; Rep. Kathy Richardson.

**Members Absent:** Rep. Dale Grubb; Rep. Richard Mangus.

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## I. Introduction and welcome of Legislative Council members

Senator Garton, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M.. Representative Mangus and Representative Grubb were excused from attendance. The Chairman introduced all the members of the Council, and gave a special welcome to Speaker Bauer, Representative Stilwell, Representative Pelath, and Senator Skillman as new members of the Council.

## II. Naming of the members of the Council's Subcommittees

The first order of business was the appointment of members to the Legislative Council subcommittees. The Chairman announced these appointments as follows:

### Data Processing Subcommittee

Representative Stilwell	Senator Harrison (Chair)
Representative Richardson	Senator Young

### Legislative Evaluation Oversight Policy Subcommittee

Representative C. Brown	Senator Miller (Chair)
Representative Mangus	Senator Young

### Space Utilization Subcommittee

Representative Grubb	Senator Skillman (Chair)
Representative Richardson	Senator Rogers

### Personnel Subcommittee

Representative Bauer	Senator Garton (Chair)
Representative Bosma	Senator Young

## III. Consideration of proposed LCR 03-01 concerning assignment of study topics

The next order of business was consideration of proposed Legislative Council Resolution (LCR) 03-01 concerning the assignment of study topics to current statutory commissions as well as the creation of ad hoc study committees.

LCR 03-01 had previously been distributed. It contained the recommendations from the four legislative leaders concerning study committees.

The Chairman announced that he and Speaker Bauer had reached an agreement and recommended that LCR 03-01 be amended to assign the following topics to the Public Safety Matters Evaluation Committee:

- (1) Nightclub safety and pyrotechnics issues
- (2) Titling and registration of vehicles issues

### (3) Other security matters

The amendment also assigned the topic of cemetery issues to the County Government Study Commission.

The amendment was adopted by consent.

The Speaker then moved that LCR 03-01 be passed as amended, with Senator R. Young seconding the motion. The resolution, as amended, was adopted by consent.

The Chairman mentioned that this was the smallest number of ad hoc committees in recent memory, and that there may be a point where ad hoc committees will become obsolete due to overlap with statutory commissions, and demands on legislators' time during the interim.

#### IV. Consideration of proposed LCR 03-02 concerning operational rules and funding for interim committees

The next item concerned a proposed resolution that would establish the rules under which the interim committees would operate this year. The Chairman explained that LCR 03-02 would increase the funding for committees from last year, but those appropriations would still be a reduction from 2001. The 2002 funding scheme was greatly reduced in consideration of a shortened interim after convening the special session.

The Chairman explained that this funding would on average allow for four meetings (depending on attendance).

Representative Brian Bosma noted that the State Government Efficiency Commission (or "Grace Commission") that was created this session will fall under these rules. This commission will be permitted to meet throughout the year and will not have completed its work by the November deadline. It is to continue working during the 2004 session. He noted that the budget constraints posed by this resolution of this commission may have to be revisited.

The resolution was adopted by consent.

#### V. Quadrennial assignment of economic impact studies to IEDC

The Chairman then recognized Phil Sachtleben, Executive Director of the Legislative Services Agency, to explain proposed LCR 03-03.

Mr. Sachtleben explained that there are four statutes that require the General Assembly to provide for a quadrennial study of the economic benefits of certain redevelopment laws. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to assign those studies to the Indiana Economic Development Council (IEDC).

The Council discussed the relationship of the IEDC to the new Economic Development Corporation envisioned in HEA 1001-2003. It was noted by Mr. Sachtleben that there are many other statutory duties of the IEDC and other entities related to the Office

of the Lt. Governor.

The resolution was adopted by consent.

VI. Distribution of the LSA audit report by the State Board of Accounts

The Chairman called on Mr. Sachtleben to discuss the contents of the tri-annual audit report that had been distributed to the members. The LSA was audited by the State Board of Accounts during March of this year. Mr. Sachtleben noted that for the second straight three year period the State Board had nothing improper to cite the Agency for with respect to its expenditures, contracts, and inventory.

The Chairman, who attended the exit conference with respect to the audit, recognized that the auditor who made the report was very positive with respect to the LSA's books and procedures. Mr. Sachtleben thanked Ms. Kathie Tooley (LSA Bookkeeper) and Ms. Candace Hall (Legislative Travel Coordinator) whose efforts resulted in this excellent report from the State Board of Accounts.

VII. Other Business

The Chairman announced THURSDAY June 19, 2003 at 10:30 A.M. as the date for the next meeting. Speaker Bauer thanked the Chairman for his cooperation in establishing the new study committees, and expressed his hope that much could be accomplished as a result of that joint effort.

VIII Adjournment

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:05 A.M.